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PATENT APPLICATION  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: William Patrick Hann  
Serial No.: 09/935,528  
Filed: August 23, 2001  
Group No.: 2664  
Examiner: Binh Quoc Nguyen  
Notice of Allowance Mailed: May 17, 2005  
Confirmation No.: 8683  
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROTECTING A NETWORK  
INTERFACE


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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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**RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's allowance of Claims 1-28. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, Applicant respectfully issues a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, Applicant does not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations.

Respectfully submitted,  
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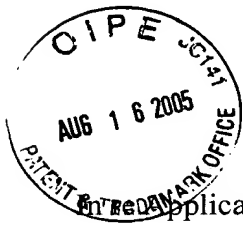
  
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